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## IS PHILATELY INSTRUCTIVE?

ADAPTED FROM AN ARTICLE IN AN OLD MAGAZINE.

*(Concluded from last month.)*

"THAT is easily done. You know, uncle, there are two sorts of collections of stamps, the maculate and the immaculate. Maculate stamps, or such as have passed through the post, are marked, to prevent their being used again. I do not claim any value for those, because you, perhaps, wil not admit that they have any value.

I nodded my perfect assent to this.

"And yet I have a Neapolitan stamp—here it is—of the late king Bomba, which I would not part with for five shillings. Besides, as each country has different postage stamps, so has each a different mode of defacing them. Just look, uncle. England does it by black bars, Hesse Darmstadt by concentric circles, France by a number of little black spots. Now, as it is possible that the rarity of certain discontinued stamps will tempt forgers to imitate them, if they commit any error in the mode of defacement, they will be caught most assuredly. Therefore, an authentic postmark on a stamp confirms its genuineness and increases its worth."

"Which I ignore."

"I must tell you a true story, which I heard a short time ago. A maid-servant, who made use of a postage stamp for the first time in her life, had noticed that all the letters she took in for her master were dotted with black over the stamp, like this head of the Republic. She supposed it was done to make the stamps stick better, and imitated it as well as she could with a pen. At the post office, it was at first suspected that some one had used an old stamp, to cheat the government. Inquiries were made, and learned experts set to work, who proved the girl's innocence of intentional wrong. She got off with an admonition, lucky enough to escape further trouble."

"Is it possible she could have been so stupid."

"There are more stupid things done than that. Among the curiosities found in letter-boxes are unstamped letters in considerable quantities, and mingled with them, though not exactly in the same proportion, single loose postage stamps. There are people ignorant enough, after they have written and directed their letter, to buy a stamp at the office, and then, instead of sticking it on the letter, to throw it into the box at the same time with the letter, supposing *that* to be the mode of prepayment. The clerks do the best they can to distribute justice in the shape of stamps, amongst the

unprovided letters; but their utmost inpartiality may not prevent some letter-writers from reaping what they have not sown."

"Beautiful simplicity! But you were to prove that your album is worth a shilling."

"Instantly, uncle. My collection is, for the most part, maculate, consisting of old stamps. I am not rich enough to procure unused stamps of all the countries; nevertheless I have a few. Now you must acknowledge, uncle, that unused stamps are worth their cost price. Here is a Wurtemburg stamp for six kreuzers; here, a Swiss one for forty rappen, a Belgian one for forty centimes, a Norwegian one for eight skilling, and a Prussian one for four silber groschen, all unused. Their joint value is more than a shilling English."

"I don't know," I demurred, speaking the truth.

"Again, here are French immaculates for eighty, forty, twenty, ten, five, and one centime respectively; that's more than a shilling. And here are English ones for sixpence, fourpence, threepence, twopence and one penny. Do they make a shilling? Eh uncle?"

"I suppose they do, and that you have the best of the argument."

"Yes. And I am in hopes, uncle, that I shall be able to make you entertain a higher opinion of postage stamps. They are a great discovery: and if so, their history is well worth studying. The man who invented them deserves as much honour as he who invented coin for cash transactions. By sticking a bit of paper, with a government mark, on a letter, you command its delivery, as soon as may be, at any place you choose to name. All the formalties and delays of money payments are avoided, including those connected with the money exchange of the foreign countries which the letter may have to traverse."

"That is, you mean to say that postage-stamps are a simple and convenient form of paper money?"

"I beg your pardon. Postage stamps are not paper money; they are much more than, and superior to, paper money. Paper money supposes moneyed capital of the precious metals, and, to have any worth, must be backed by a bank with bullion in it sufficient to pay them off whenever required. The bullion may run short, be spent, or stolen; the bank may fail, and the paper be good for nothing but to light a cigar with. Postage stamps represent not cash to be paid but a service to be rendered; the only capital they suppose is the existence of human limbs and brains and the continuance of civilized society. So long as nations endure, and people have a mutual interest in knowing what is going on in other places, a postage stamp can never fall to the level of a bank note issued by a broken bank. Perhaps even, one of these days, we shall have stamps to prepay other services besides letter-carrying."

"Your imagination is running along my boy, faster than I can follow it."

"Not at all uncle; for the scheme is already put in action to a certain extent. Did you ever hear of a ticket for soup?"

"I think, Harry, I have. But what has that to do with it?"

"A ticket for soup (about which so many jokes have been made) is a promise, by charitable persons, of a gift to be made. The soup received is the fulfilment of the promise, is it not? Applying the same principle to

business, there are restaurants in Paris who sell you packets of tickets for dinners. Instead of paying for your board for the month (and paying for nothing whenever you are asked out to dinner), you keep the tickets in your pocket book, and, whenever you want to dine, you present one ; exactly as, when you want to send a letter, you stick upon it the proper stamp, and put it into the letter-box. The restaurant's ticket is a dinner stamp ; it prepays the butcher, the cook, the wine-merchant, the rent of the dining room, and the use of the dinner things, all through the agency of the head of the establishment who is always there to supply the meal contracted for whenever called upon to do so. Subscription to the opera is something of the same kind. All I say is, that we may carry the stamp system further, applying it to medical attendance."

"We will ask the Doctor what he has to say to it. Meanwhile, I begin to think that your time and money may not have been spent on mere unmeaning bits of paper. To convince me thoroughly, can you stand an examination in the contents of your own stamp-book ?"

"I believe so, uncle. Please begin wherever you like."

"How does the native Hanoverian spell the name of his country ?"

"With two *n*'s ; *H*, *a*, double *n*."

"What does S, v, e, r, i, g, e mean ?"

"Sverige is Sweden."

"What is a Freimarke ?"

"A Swedish Freimarke, an Austrian Post-stemple, a Hanoverian Bestellgeld-frei, a Dutch Post-zegel, a French Timbre-post, an Italian Francobollo, a Hamburg or Lubeck Postmarke, are all and equally postage stamps."

"What is the shape of a Cape of Good Hope stamp ?"

"Triangular."

"What are the stamps with a crowned lion holding a shield, marked nine crazie and six crazie ?"

"Ah, those are Tuscan, begining to be rare and valuable. A collector sets a value on a postage stamp in inverse proportion to the stability and prosperity of the state by which it is issued. Those of the overthrown Italian Duchies, Tuscany, Parma, and Modena, never were numerous, are now scarce, and will soon be priceless."

"What are—I can't make them out myself—those very pretty stamps, with oval medallions, green, red and blue, in the midst of drapery of a different color ?"

"Those are Russian, for thirty, twenty and ten copecks each. I cannot read the legend or inscription, because I have not yet been able to set myself up with a Russian alphabet, and a grammar and dictionary to follow."

"Your aunt and myself will manage that between us. Let us now go and see whether she has finished her letter."

"You have been a long while upstairs," observed Emma, as we entered, as she handed me her letter to read.

"Harry has been showing me his correspondence. You may give him the envelope, or he will content himself with the stamp."

I then described to Emma what I had just seen. She was astonished. When I told her of the interesting conversation I had had with Harry, she

agreed with me that the pursuit of stamp collecting is both profitable and instructive. Thereafter we both encouraged Harry, and gave him all the assistance in our power to help make his collection complete as possible.

When I compare stamp collecting of those days, with the "Philately" of the present time; when I look over the well-bound albums now issued expressly for collectors, the many pamphlets on the subject, the large number of papers devoted solely to the cause; when I think of the numerous philatelic societies and the vast number who are now interested in philately; I must admit that I feel ashamed of the way I treated Harry, when he first expressed his views on the value of stamp collecting.

J. R. F.

## THE STAMPS OF GREECE.

FROM "LA JUSTICE OU SOCRATE."

THE stamps of this country are of the most perplexing varieties in the way of printing and colors. In order to try and enlighten the young collector, we have made a translation of a Greek list of stamps, from the above named pamphlet. The author of it living in Athens, has had opportunities to get the dates and varieties more correctly than those not living there. While it is only nominally issued as a price list, it is something a great deal better. Without further apologies we will therefore start on the author's list.

24th Aug, 1860, printed at Paris, on tinted paper, very clear impression, without figures on back.

1 Lepton, chesnut brown,
2 Lepta, bistre yellow,
2 " "
5 " green,
10 " orange on blue tinted paper,
20 " blue,
40 " violet on blue tinted paper,
80 " rose.

1862, printed at Athens, very poor impression. Figures on back except 1 and 2 Lepta.

1 Lepton, chocolate,
2 Lepta, bistre yellow,
5 " green,
10 " orange on blue,
20 " blue,
40 " violet on blue,
80 " rose on rose.

1864, same poor print, white paper.

1 Lepton, brown,
2 Lepta, bistre,
5 " yellow green,
10 " orange red, orange yellow,
20 " blue on blue tinted paper,
40 " wine color.

1868, same type, very badly printed.
40 Lepta, violet on blue.
1870, type 1860. Printed at Athens. Impression very good, nearly equal to Paris.
1 Lepton, brown,
20 Lepta, blue,
20 " very dark blue.
1871, Athens Print, poor impression,
40 Lepta, purple on blue.
1872, fine impression.
10 Lepta, orange on blue paper.
1873.—1 Lepton, brown.
1874.—5 Lepta, green on green, full impression,
20 " dark blue.
14th Sept., 1875, printed at Paris, without figures on back fine impression.
30 Lepta, dark brown,
60 " green on greenish paper.
1876, Athens print, poor impression.
30 Lepta, brown on buff paper,
30 " " white "
60 " green on greenish paper.
1876, same poor print.
1 Lepton, brown on yellowish paper.
5 Lepta, green " white "
5 " yellow green on white paper,
10 " orange red " "
20 " marine blue " "
10 " orange red " yellowish paper,
20 " blue " bluish "
80 " rose " white "
1877.—1 Lepton, coffee,
20 Lepta, blue,
20 " dark blue.
1878.—60 Lepta, green on yellowish paper.
1880, same print, no figures on back.
10 Lepta, orange red,
20 " marine blue.
31st Dec., 1881, same print.
5 Lepta, green on bluish paper,
1 Lepton, brown on yellowish paper,
10 Lepta, orange,
20 " carmine,
30 " blue,
40 " lilac,
40 " violet.
1883, same print.
1 Lepton, brown,
5 Lepta, green,
10 " yellow,

20 Lepta, rose,
40 " violet.
1884.—2 Lepta, yellow.
1886, new design, smaller head, with inscription of "Ellas" above it.
25 Lepta, blue,
50 " green,
1 drachma, grey.
1888, same design,
1 Lepton, brown,
2 Lepta, bistre,
5 " green,
10 " orange,
20 " rose,
40 " violet.
Errors in figures on backs of stamps:—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1884, | 5 Lepta, | yellow green | "ç5" |
| 1873, | 5 " | green on blue | ."55" |
| 1862, | 10 " | red " | "ᵓ.01" |
| 1864, | 10 " | orange | ".01" |
| 1876, | 10 " | yellow red | ".01" |
| 1878, | 10 " | vermillion | ".00" |
| " | 10 " | " | "000" |
| 1864, | 10 " | orange on blue | ".0" |
| 1872, | 10 " | " | ".0" |
| 1876, | 10 " | orange red | ".0" |
| 1862, | 20 " | blue on tinted paper | ".0" |
| " | 20 " | do. do. | ".80" |
| 1870, | 20 " | do. do. | "02" |
| 1876, | 20 " | marine blue | "ᵓ0" |
| " | 20 " | " | "0ᵓ" |
| 1862, | 80 " | rose on rose | "8" |

In 1872 there was a set of unpaid stamps issued. The design was the numeral of value in black in centre, and border in green, unperforated. Those unperforated unpaid stamps are not included in any of the catalogues of the day. Design the same in all values. They are as follows: 1 Lepton, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 and 200 Lepta.

In 1875 they were issued of the same design and perforated. Values were 1 Lepton, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 60, 70, 80 and 90 Lepta, and 1 and 2 drachma.

1880, unpaid stamps same design, 100 Lepta and 200 Lepta.

Post cards were first used in 1876. They were of the same design as the adhesives.

1876, printed in Paris. 15 Lepta, blue.
1876, same design, printed in Athens. 15 Lepta, blue.
1883, same type.
5 Lepta, black on buff,
5 x 5 " " " reply,
10 " blue "

10 x 10 Lepta, blue on buff, reply.
10 " carmine on blue,
10 x 10 " " " reply.

The reader will see that the difference between this list and that of any of the catalogues is very marked, but we think the native Greek list is more to be depended on than one compiled by an outsider.

DAVID LANG.

## NEWLY ISSUED STAMPS.

**Austria.**—The 20 kr. we hear, is to be changed to brown and the 5s. we have seen surcharged 15 para.

**Colombia.**—"Le Timbre Post" illustrates several new designs of the official cubiertas; we have received a 1c. black on green, of the new issue with map.

**Congo Free State.**—The old and new 5 fcs. are surcharged in two lines "Colis Postaux—Fr. 3.50" in dark blue.

**Costa Rica.**—The new 5c. is surcharged "Official."

**Cuba.**—Of the current type, we have two new stamps, headed "Cuba Impresos" value 2 mils and 4 mils, both black.

**Denmark.**—On Nov. 25, the 5c. card with inscriptions in Danish and French was issued.

**Egypt.**—The piastre is now equal to 10 diximes and the following novelties have been issued: 1m. brown, 2m. green, 5m. red. Unpaid letter stamps, 2m. green, 5m. brown, 5 x 5m. red. Envelope, 1 piastre.

**French Colonies.**—We have been shown a 15c. letter card, blue on grey.

**Gambiers.**—The French colony stamps are now surcharged by those islands, which have been under the protectorate of France since 1844.

**Hayti.**—We have the new 3c. blue (c.c. 44).

**Macao.**—The fiscal stamps have had the top and bottom labels taken off, and have been surcharged to do duty as 5, 10, or 40, reis.

**Perak.**—2c. rose of Straits Settlements is surcharged in black in three lines "1-cent-Perak" in capital letters.

**St. Christopher.**—"Le Timbre Poste" reports cards of 1 x 1d. carmine and 1½ x 1½d. brown on buff. They are perforated at the top and have the head of Queen in circle.

**Turkey.**—Rumor has it that the stamps will be changed in March.

## SOME CANADIAN REVENUES.

IT is only within the last two or three years, that there has been any interest taken in Canadian Revenue Stamps, and even now, it does not amount to a great deal. This is unfortunate, as some day soon we will wake up for their collection and will find that we cannot get them. Even now there is more call for Canadian Revenues from collectors on the continent and in the United States in one month than there is from Canadian collectors in a year. These facts are lamentable, but still they are true. The collectors of Canada should be awake to this fact and not have the very best stamps drained from the Country to enrich the albums of foreign collectors.

The first revenues stamps were issued in Canada in 1865, and were "Bill stamps" and tobacco stamps. Of the tobacco stamps we cannot commence to write as the variety is numberless and those first issued are some of them almost unknown.

It is hardly possible that a complete collection of the tobacco stamps of Canada, and of the Dominion of Canada could now be made. The Bill stamps however are more easily secured. The design was a small head of the Queen to left, shape rectangular, color blue. Those stamps were used only for drafts and promissory notes.

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| 1864.—1c. blue. | 1864.—10c. blue. |
| 2c. " | 20c. " |
| 3c. " | 30c. " |
| 4c. " | 40c. " |
| 5c. " | 50c. " |
| 6c. " | $1.00 " Larger stamp. |
| 7c. " | 2.00 " " " |
| 8c. " | 3.00 " " " |
| 9c. " | |

Whatever was the idea, there was a new set issued in the following year, of very much the same design, but with color chaged to scarlet, values were:

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| 1c. scarlet. | 20c. blue. |
| 2c. " | 30c. " |
| 3c. " | 30c. scarlet. |
| 4c. " | 40c. blue. |
| 5c. " | 50c. " |
| 6c. " | $1.00 green with red centre, large stamp. |
| 7c. " | 1.00 red " green " " |
| 8c. " | 2.00 " " purple " " |
| 9c. " | 3.00 " " indigo " " |
| 10c. blue | |

This issue was in use till after Confederation, when in 1869 another issue took place. The design of those stamps were altogether different from any of the others, it being a bust picture of the Queen to left in Widow's Cap.

1c. brown.
2c. "
2c. vermillion.
2c. orange.
3c. green.
4c. brown.
5c. orange.
6c. green.
7c. orange.
8c. brown.
9c. green.
10c. blue.
20c. "
30c. "
40c. "
50c. "
$1.00 blue with black centre, large rectangular.
2.00 orange " " " "
3.00 green " " " "

The stamps of this design were surcharged N. S. for us in Nova Scotia but they do not appear to have ever been used to any great extent as they are exceedingly rare, especially any values above 10c. From 1c. to 50c. were surcharged N. S. at bottom of stamp, but the $1, 2, & 3 were surcharged very near to the top.

Those last three values surcharged N. S. have caused some little discussion as to whether they were ever surcharged or not. The $1 and $2 we have seen ourselves and have no doubt but that the other value was also surcharged. The use of Bill stamps was abolished in

When the Supreme Court was established is 1876, the Dominion Government assumed the administration of the correctness of weights and measures, and the supervision of gas. Stamps were accordingly issued for those three Departments viz. Supreme Court, Weights and Measures, and Gas Inspection. Designs as follows:

*Supreme Court.*—A very large rectangular stamp, blue in colour, with crowned head of the Queen to left. Every stamp is registered by a number printed on it, values

10c. blue.
20c. "
25c. "
50c. blue.
$1.00 "
5.00 "

*Weights and Measures.*—A very long rectangular sloped stamp, black in colour, crown at top value beneath space in middle for date and Inspectors initials. Registered by printed number.

5c. black.
10c. "
15c. "
20c. "
30c. "
50c. "
$1.00 black.
1.50 "
2.00 "
1878.—1c. blue.
2c. "

*Gas Stamps.*—Design similiar to that of the Weights and Measures, color black, inscription "Gas Inspection," values

25c. blue.
50c. "
$1.00 "
1.50 "
$2.00 blue.
3.00 "
4.00 "

This we think is a complete list of the revenue stamps of Canada proper, several of the provinces, however, have issued stamps for different purposes, viz.:

Quebec, two series of law and law registration stamps.
Ontario, two series of law stamps.
Manitoba, one series of law stamps.
Nova Scotia one law stamp.
Of these stamps we will treat in a future paper.

## NOVA SCOTIA'S LAW STAMP.

When any of our readers, who collect revenue stamps, read this head line, we can imagine the perplexed look, the hunting over of catalogues, and the assertion, why this must be something new, or else it is a fraud. Now this stamp is neither. It has been in use in Halifax for the last nine years, and is in use yet. It is not to be wondered at that it has not been catalogued, there are no revenue collectors in Halifax, and even if there were they are not likely to come across it. The stamp is legalized by virtue of the following Notice, and act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Nova Scotia Barristers Society has provided adhesive stamps, for the payment of the fees toward the support of the Law Library at Halifax, pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed on the 17th of April A. D. 1879, entitled "An Act in relation to the Law Library at Halifax." After the expiation of 30 days from this date, all writs of summonses issued out of the Supreme Court and County Court at Halifax, or made returnable thereto, will be void unless stamped in accordance with the supervisions of said Act.

W. R. FOSTER;
*Secy. N. S. Barristers Society.*

Halifax, 23d. May A. D. 1879.

The following is the Act alluded to:

AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE LAW LIBRARY OF HALIFAX.

(Passed the 17th. day of April 1879.)

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly as follows:

1 Upon every writ off summons issued out of, or made returnable to the Supreme Court at Halifax or the County Court of District No. 1, except in summary suits, the plaintiff shall pay to the Nova Scotia Barristers Society, towards the support of the Law Library at Halifax, a fee of twenty-five cents, such fee to be paid by a stamp as hereinafter provided.

2. The Barristers' Society shall provide adhesive stamps for the payment of such fees, and keep them for sale at one or more places in the city of Halifax, and after such stamps have been provided, and notice thereof posted in the office of the Prothonotary at Halifax for thirty days, no writ

of summons shall be issued by the Prothonatory of the Supreme Court, or clerk of the County, at Halifax, or returnable at Halifax, (except in summary suits) unless it has one of such stamps clean and undefaced affixed to it, and every writ so issued or made returnable without such stamp, or obliterated, as hereinafter provided, shall be irregular and void, and may be set aside with costs on summary application at the instance of the defendant or the President of the said Barristers' Society. It shall be the duty of the Prothonotary and clerk of the County Court, to obliterate the stamps at the time the writ issued, by writing thereon his initials and the date of the issue of the writ to which it is affixed.

3. No fee shall in future be paid for the support of the Law Library, on the entry of causes for trial or argument, but the price of the stamps aforesaid shall be part of the costs of the cause in which the writ is issued.

This Act places the genuineness of this stamp beyond doubt. Those stamps are next to impossible to procure used. They are dark green in color, and perforated, design is a half length figure of justice holding scales. These have never to our knowledge been catalogued.

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WE notice that the American philatelic papers have lately been supplied with what are called Canadian notes. It is a great pity that the person who writes these notes (for the same man writes them all) could not be a little more correct in his statements. We would like to know very much where he gets his information in regard to the Canada Brown 2c. Registration Error. In the *Stamp* he says that it is bogus, the color having been changed by chemical means, then again in the "P. J. of A" he says that the printer by way of experiment struck off a few sheets in brown. Now which is correct? Answer up like a man and give your authority for those statements.

He also gives us a few points on the Canadian official franks envelopes, which he says collectors are now taking hold of. He contents himself with a modest dozen varieties of them, we have of our own personal knowledge seen at least three dozen of them. The truth about them is this, each department of the government have an official frank for their own use. The sub-divisions of each Department the same. The frank consists of a facsimile of the signature of the heads of such Department, as for instance, W. H. Griffin is deputy P. M. G. of Canada all matter from his Department mailed at Ottawa has his frank on it. The Chief P. O. Inspector of the Dominion, J. Dewe, has his own special one, he does not use Mr. Griffin's; the different P. O. Inspectors of the Dominion have each their own personal frank, it is thus seen that the varieties of them must be numerous, when the same rule holds good for the Eighteen official Departments of the Dominion of Canada.

We therefore think that our friend who scatters his Canadian notes so plentifully should think a little more and write a little less, he would not then be so likely to make so many rash statements.

NEW TURKISH STAMPS.—On the 1st March, 1888, the color and shape of the Turkish stamps will be completely changed. According to reliable information they will return again to the old design of the stamps of the first issue. The signature of the Sultan, with French and Turkish inscriptions, and regular perforations. Our information is not yet in detail but we desire to first inform our readers of the decision which has been taken. For the last two months the Turkish stamps have been printed on paper somewhat thicker and the tints of color are a little deeper.

The blue and red newspaper stamp of 1885, will soon be changed in type and will also contain French inscriptions.—*Le Timbre Levantin.*

## NOVA SCOTIA PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

### MEETING FEBRUARY 13TH, 1888.

CALLED to order at 8 45 p. m. President Crane in the chair. Eleven members present; Messrs. Crane, Hechler, Hart, Caldwell, A. E. Smith, Ed. Smith, Shannon, Findlay, Mathers, Gass and King.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Recommended that the Lt. Governor and Pastmaster General be asked to become Patrons of the Association.

The Secretary reported that no official information had yet been received from the Canada Philatelic Association, in connection with the late election.

The Secretary's report showed that there are now eighteen members on the register; and that a great many others have promised to join. Official numbers:

1. J. Noble Crane, (Prest.) 46 South Street.
2. Donald A. King, (Secy.) 66 Maynard Street.
3. Harry L. Hart, (Treas.) 7 Compton Avenue.
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10. J. E. Gass, 82 Victoria Road.
11. A. E. Smith, 403 Brunswick Street.
12. Louis Arthur Petril, Spring Hill Mines.
13. Herbert Andrews, 89 Dresden Row.
14. E. G. Shannon, 58 Spring Garden Road.
15. Frank Kaye, 38 Kaye Street.
16. A. B. S. DeWolf, 35 Cogswell Street.
17. H. Andrews, ————————
18. J. W. Caldwell, 136 Spring Garden Road.

It is earnestly requested that all those who have promised to join the Association, will at once hand in their names and one dollar.

The meeting had adjourned after several members had exhibited some rare and old stamps.

D. A. KING,
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(The writer of the Ex. Notice forgot to sign his name.)

4.—WANTED, philatelic papers; send lists of what you have to exchange and what you want; I especially want *Stamp World*, Nos. 23 to 46.

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